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DEVIL'S REIGN

# VILLAINS

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**WILSON FISK**, the former Kingpin of Crime and current mayor of New York, has made his move against his old enemy Daredevil, by outlawing super hero vigilantism within the city limits.

Fisk has deputized super villains as a new team of **THUNDERBOLTS** to maintain law and order alongside the NYPD. Many heroes, including Reed and Sue Richards, have already been arrested, and many more are on the run.

And John Walker, A.K.A. **U.S.AGENT** wants in on the new Thunderbolt team. U.S.Agent wants to join Fisk's

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## FISK'S FIST

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I HEAR YOU'RE LOOKING FOR NEW RECRUITS. SIGN ME UP.

EVERYONE OUT.

ARE YOU SURE THAT'S A GOOD--?

OUT.

MIND YOUR Ps AND Qs WITH THE MAYOR, ALL RIGHT?

WOULDN'T WANT TO RUIN A CUTE FACE LIKE THAT...

...YET.

I DIDN'T ORDER ANY *RED MEAT*...

WHICH BUTCHER DELIVERED YOU TO *MY* CITY? THE FEDS? THE D.A.? WHO?

I CAME ON MY OWN. YOU NEED HELP.

YOU'RE SMART. YOU CAN ONLY KEEP YOUR THUNDERBOLTS ON A LEASH FOR SO LONG. YOU'RE GOING TO RUN INTO A MANAGEMENT PROBLEM.

AND YOU THINK YOU'RE THE MAN TO SOLVE IT?

WHY SHOULD I LET *YOU* INTO *MY* THUNDERBOLTS, *JOHN WALKER?*

BECAUSE I DIDN'T VOTE FOR YOU.

YOU'VE PUT THE THUNDERBOLTS INTO PLAY. YOU'RE TAKING A HARD-LINE STANCE AGAINST SUPER HEROES.

I'M SURE YOU'VE DONE THE MATH. SOONER OR LATER THEY'RE BOUND TO START PLAYING BY THEIR OWN RULES.

I CAN KEEP A LEASH ON YOUR BAD GUYS. MAKE SURE THEY PLAY NICE WITH THE POLICE. EVERYBODY STAYS SAFE, THANKS TO *YOUR* THUNDERBOLTS.

I'LL GET. %&$@. DONE.

I DON'T WALK THE LINE. I DON'T CROSS THE LINE.

I *AM* THE LINE.

CONGRATULATIONS. YOU'RE HIRED.

"NOW KEEP AN EYE ON MY THUNDERBOLTS."

GET A MOVE ON, MAN. LET'S GO, LET'S GO, LET'S--

--GO.

ALMOST DONE. JUST ONE MORE CASE.

AH!

NOW, NOW... YOU KNOW THE RULES.

YOU BREAK IT...

...YOU BUY IT.

AAK CRRSH

SMAAASH

ELRY

JEWERY

NO NEED TO THANK US, FOLKS. JUST DOING OUR JOB.

ELECTRO, YOU COMIN'?

YEAH. RIGHT BEHIND YA.

CHECK OUT *THEM* SHINY RED APPLES...

CRRRRRRRK

CRRSH

DIAMONDS ARE A GIRL'S BEST--

TUNK

PUT THE ICE BACK.

WHO THE HELL'S *THIS* GUY?

LET ME GUESS... THE CONSERVATIVE CRUSADER!

DOLLAR BIN CAPTAIN AMERICA?

DINNER.

I'M THE GUY WHO'S IN CHARGE.

AND WHY SHOULD WE LISTEN TO YOU?

SHUNK

YOU'RE JUST A LOW-RENT *CAP'N 'MURICA.*

BECAUSE SOMEBODY NEEDS TO BABYSIT YOU...

...THUGS.

SEEMS LIKE YOU ALL ARE DRIFTING FROM THE MISSION STATEMENT. THE MAYOR HAS SENT ME TO REMIND YOU.

ZZZT

NO MORE BENDING THE LAW TO FILL YOUR POCKETS.

FROM NOW ON...

BONK

...YOU ARE THE LAW.

ANYONE WHO THINKS THEY'RE ABOVE IT IS GONNA FIND THEMSELVES UNDER MY BOOT.

CONSIDER THIS YOUR LAST WARNING.

TOMORROW, YOU'RE A TEAM.

MY TEAM.

YOU'RE HIDING SOMETHING... AREN'T YOU?

COME ON... WE'VE ALL GOT OUR SECRETS. STRONG, SILENT TYPE LIKE YOU? ALL BRAWN AND BRAVADO ON THE OUTSIDE?

THAT'S JUST A SHELL. WHAT I WANT TO KNOW IS...

...WHAT'S ON THE INSIDE.

THAT'S NOT GOING TO WORK ON ME, SORRY.

WHO SAYS I'VE GOT SOMETHING TO HIDE?

I KNOW YOUR TYPE, WALKER. YOU'RE ALL SURFACE.

AN EMPTY SYMBOL.

BUT I BET IF I CRACKED YOU OPEN...

"...YOU'D BE COMPLETELY HOLLOW."

THIS IS POINTLESS. I DON'T KNOW WHY I'M EVEN DOING THIS.

NOT ENOUGH EVIDENCE TO SHUT FISK DOWN.

BARELY ENOUGH FOR A SLAP ON THE WRIST.

IF THE FBI WANTS ANY OF THIS PURPLE CHILDREN MESS TO STICK TO FISK, THEY'RE GONNA NEED MORE.

A LOT MORE.

WIRE IS FRIED COURTESY OF ELECTRO. TOLD THEM IT WOULDN'T WORK. BUT THEY KNEW BETTER.

MAYBE THE THUNDERBOLTS ARE MY WAY IN...

MAYBE NOT.

FISK'S GOT A BIG CAMPAIGN EVENT TOMORROW. HE'LL BE KISSING BABIES. RALLYING HIS BASE.

LET'S SEE WHAT HIS POSSE DOES THEN.

NEED TO CATCH HIS THUNDERBOLTS IN THE ACT.

FISK

FISK

NO RISK WITH FISK

FISK

TSK TSK FISK

BUREAUCRACY WAS ONE THING. EVERY POLITICIAN HAS SKELETONS IN THEIR CLOSET.

BUT FISK HAS CRIMINALS RUNNING THE PRECINCTS. MONSTERS. ALIENS.

FISK

FISK IS THE DISGRACE-- HE GAVE THE VILLAINS THE BADGES.

THEY ARE A CANCER BEHIND THE BADGE.

FISK IS A TODDLER WITH A LOADED GUN POINTED AT THIS CITY. AND THE THUNDERBOLTS ARE THE BULLET. THEY NEED TO BE ERADICATED.

CHEMO THIS CANCER ONCE AND FOR ALL. DOWN TO THE LAST CELL.

WELCOME, WELCOME, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN... THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

STRENGTH IN NUMBERS, I'VE ALWAYS SAID. AND BY THE SIZE OF THIS CROWD...

...I SEE THAT WE, WHEN WE COME TOGETHER, ARE INCREDIBLY STRONG.

FISK

VIVA FISK

FISK

TSK TSK FISK

NO RISK WITH FISK

FIST OF FISK

FISK

I PROTECTED THE PEOPLE OF NEW YORK DURING THE LAST SYMBIOTE ATTACK...

AND I DIDN'T NEED A MASK OR SPANDEX SUIT TO DO IT!

I'M NOT AFRAID TO SHOW MY FACE.

I WANT YOU ALL TO BE ABLE TO LOOK ME STRAIGHT IN THE EYES. TO SEE WHAT I'VE DONE.

I WANT YOU TO KNOW ME FOR WHO I AM AND KNOW...

...A VOTE FOR ME KEEPS OUR STREETS SUPER HERO FREE!

IT'S THOSE WHO HIDE BEHIND THEIR DISGUISES THAT HAVE TRULY RUINED OUR CITY.

FIST OF FISK

WHICH IS WHY I'VE INSTATED THE THUNDERBOLT TASK FORCE TO POLICE THESE STREETS.

THIS CITY DOESN'T NEED ANY MORE SUPER HEROES.

IT NEEDS A CLEANSING.

A MIGHTY RAIN SHALL FALL AND WASH THESE STREETS ONCE AND FOR ALL...

CAN YOU HEAR IT? THERE'S A STORM COMING...

EVERYONE FORM IN AROUND THE MAYOR. I THINK THE *THUNDER* IS A LOT CLOSER THAN WE THINK.

LISTEN TO IT THUNDER.

GET EVERYONE OFF THE STAGE.

NOW.

FISK HAS HIS FANS, BUT THIS IS DIFFERENT. A NEW PLAYER IS ON THE BOARD.

TARGET THE CAMPAIGN. AND THE MAYOR. AND USE THE CROWD FOR COVER.

NO ONE WOULD EVER KNOW.

NOW THAT THEY'RE ALL WOUND UP, THEY'VE GOT NOWHERE TO RELEASE THAT RAGE...EXCEPT ON EACH OTHER.

REGARDLESS OF WHO'S OUT THERE, *FISK* IS STILL TO BLAME. HE'S SMARTER THAN ANYONE GIVES HIM CREDIT FOR. KNEW WHAT HE WAS DOING WHEN HE TURNED THE CITY AGAINST ITSELF.

A MONSTER IN THE SHAPE OF A MAYOR.

PROMISING ALL THE SAME CRAP. HOPE. CHANGE. KEEP THE CAPES IN LINE.

HE NEUTERS HIS OWN POLICE. INSTALLS HIS OWN TASK FORCE ON THE *PRAYER* THAT HE ALONE WILL BE ENOUGH TO KEEP THEM IN LINE.

*EGO.* FISK'S UP FOR RE-ELECTION. HE ONLY NEEDS THE THUNDERBOLTS TO BEHAVE UNTIL THE VOTES ARE CAST.

MEANWHILE--A LITTLE VIOLENCE WITH A PERP. A DIAMOND RING THAT GOES MISSING FROM A CRIME SCENE. IT STARTS SMALL.

IT ALWAYS DOES.

LOOK AT THESE PEOPLE. DOESN'T TAKE A SUPER-SOLDIER TO SEE THAT FISK'S FIGHT HAS COME HOME.

ALL THEY KNOW IS THEY'RE ANGRY...

SCARED.

FISK WANTS TO RIP THE MASK OFF OF EVERY VIGILANTE IN THIS CITY. MAKE THEM PAY.

THE THUNDERBOLTS WANT TO CREAM OFF NEW YORK WHILE NOBODY'S LOOKING.

...AND ME? WHAT THE HELL AM I AFTER?

THE DREAM.

NEED A HAND?

SAFE NOW.

I HAD THAT COVERED.

I WAS DOING JUST FINE ON MY--

--OWN.

SURE YOU WERE.

INTO THE FIRE.

I NEED YOU TO HELP ME CORRAL THESE RIOTERS! THEY'RE TEARING INTO CIVILIANS NOW... THOSE COPS ARE NEXT.

BUT *TRY NOT TO THROW ANYONE ELSE.* I DON'T THINK THESE PEOPLE ARE IN CONTROL OF THEMSELVES.

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

WHAT IS... WHAT'S GOING ON?

THAT'S CLOSE ENOUGH.

NOW MAY BE A GOOD TIME TO MAKE AN EXIT, MAYOR.

LOOK AT THEM ALL. WHAT'S HAPPENING? THEY'RE...

SSSSSCK

...CHANGING.

WHAT THE HELL IS THIS? NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT.

TOO MANY OF THEM... CAN'T TOUCH THEM ALL.

THESE PEOPLE ARE TEARING THEMSELVES APART.

BEEN A LIFETIME SINCE I STAGE DIVED...

WHO'S UP FOR A LITTLE CROWD-SURFING?

ELECTRO, WAIT! THESE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN *INFECTED.*

CORRUPTED.

...WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?

SOMEONE WITH A LOT OF *CONVICTION.*

WHA--?

NO!

ZZZZZT

GOT TO... STOP HER... BEFORE...

VVRRRRUUU

NONLETHAL, EVERYONE'S FINE--

EXCEPT ELECTRO.

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